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1. claims: 1-36

A formatted 3D translucent optical medium with oblong servo marks that are angularly tilted relative to the axis of the data track.

2. claims: 37-39

A method for correcting spherical aberration in an optical system employing a correction element which is common to a number of focusing elements and has a major dimension larger than a respective major dimension of any of the focusing elements.

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